

VIRTUAL ORAL ARGUMENTS

CALIFORNIA COURT OF APPEAL, FIFTH DISTRICT

This virtual setting presents an unparalleled opportunity for California citizens, including students and educators, to view their Judicial Branch in action, from the safety of their classrooms and homes.



About Oral Arguments

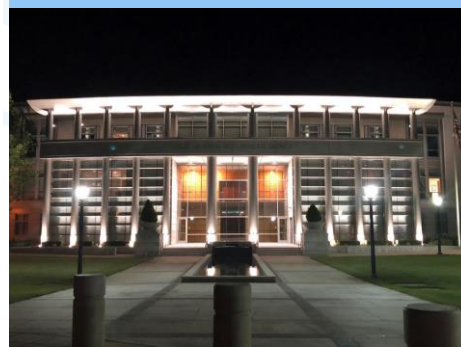
- ❖ A "panel" of three (3) justices is assigned to each case.
- ❖ Each side ("party") of the case has a set amount of time to orally present their legal arguments to the justices. The justices may ask questions during argument.
- ❖ At the appellate level, there are no juries, no court reporters and no retrials – cases are reviewed for legal and procedural errors.

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Typically, cases are argued before the Court of Appeal at the George Zenovich Courthouse in Fresno, California and these arguments are open to the public. However, due to the COVID-19 pandemic, all oral arguments are now being conducted through videoconferencing and are [livestreamed online](#). Remote video oral arguments will continue throughout May, June, July and possibly beyond. All sessions are livestreamed, recorded, and available on the court's [website](#).

Justices of the Court of Appeal are available to speak to educational groups about the role of the Judicial Branch and the Appellate Courts to give context to the appellate process. We hope that the Court of Appeal's oral arguments can provide an interesting and unique educational resource to educators and the public during this unprecedented time in our lives.